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For: IMAGE INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE, IMAGE INFORMATION  
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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 17.

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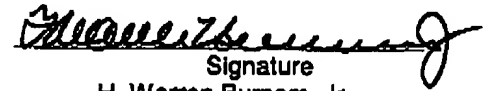
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